

State of Alaska FY2005 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Health and Social Services Psychiatric Emergency Services Component Budget Summary

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Component: Psychiatric Emergency Services

Contribution to Department's Mission

To protect and improve the quality of life for consumers impacted by mental disorders or illness.

Core Services

The Psychiatric Emergency Services component provides competitive grant funding to community mental health agencies for services intended to aid people in psychiatric crisis. The service array may include crisis intervention, brief therapeutic interventions to help stabilize the client, and follow-up services. Specialized services such as outreach teams and residential crisis/respite services are also included.

FY2005 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results

FY2005 Component Budget: \$7,132,700	Personnel:	
	Full time	0
	Part time	0
	Total	0

Key Component Challenges

Medicaid Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) and Private Hospital Proportionate Share (PHPS) payments are being used to refinance some grants and some specialized hospital services payments. This represents merely a change in funding source mechanism and does not impact services.

A major issue facing the component is the current reluctance of some providers to work with high acuity clients, or clients experiencing the most dire need. Ongoing efforts to enact new service provider requirements will continue.

The Alaska Psychiatric Institute and other mental health service provider agencies in Alaska are experiencing difficulty recruiting psychiatrists, psychiatric nurses and other mental health professionals. Since there is a limited supply of psychiatrists and psychiatric nurses in the nation, they are in high demand and agencies in the country's more densely populated areas tend to be able to offer an employment/lifestyle package that is more attractive than Alaska can offer.

Consumer health and safety issues continue to be at the forefront of the Division's concerns. The 2001 legislature passed legislation requiring provider agencies to notify the Division in the case of consumers known to be missing, seriously injured or deceased, and the Division is currently updating the regulations to operationalize this legislation.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2005

The Mental Health Regional Coordinators' grant funding is being reduced by \$50.0. While there will be a continuity of services, the most significant change will be less availability of individual emergency grant service funding.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2003

Served approximately 15,000 people, many of whom were also served in other components, when not in crisis. Ensuring that consumers in crisis are served quickly and appropriately, enables them to access stabilization and treatment services as needed and reduces the overall costs related to serving these individuals over the long-term and prevents even more serious long term consequences for the individuals needing emergency services.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

AS 47.30.520 - 620	Community Mental Health Services Act
AS 47.30.655 - 915	State Mental Health Policy
AS 47.30.011 - 061	Mental Health Trust Authority
7 AAC 78	Grant Programs
7 AAC 72	Civil Commitment
7 AAC 71	Community Mental Health Services

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Psychiatric Emergency Services Component Financial Summary

All dollars shown in thousands

	FY2003 Actuals	FY2004 Authorized	FY2005 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
72000 Travel	0.2	0.0	0.0
73000 Contractual	307.6	452.5	402.5
74000 Supplies	1.7	0.0	0.0
75000 Equipment	0.0	0.0	0.0
76000 Land/Buildings	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Claims	8,605.7	7,657.5	6,730.2
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	8,915.2	8,110.0	7,132.7
Funding Sources:			
1002 Federal Receipts	1,075.5	1,343.0	670.8
1007 Inter-Agency Receipts	511.6	0.0	0.0
1037 General Fund / Mental Health	7,036.2	6,153.4	6,103.4
1092 Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized Receipts	291.9	613.6	358.5
Funding Totals	8,915.2	8,110.0	7,132.7

Estimated Revenue Collections

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2003 Actuals	FY2004 Authorized	FY2005 Governor
<u>Unrestricted Revenues</u>				
None.		0.0	0.0	0.0
Unrestricted Total		0.0	0.0	0.0
<u>Restricted Revenues</u>				
Federal Receipts	51010	1,075.5	1,343.0	670.8
Interagency Receipts	51015	511.6	0.0	0.0
Restricted Total		1,587.1	1,343.0	670.8
Total Estimated Revenues		1,587.1	1,343.0	670.8

**Summary of Component Budget Changes
From FY2004 Authorized to FY2005 Governor**

All dollars shown in thousands

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2004 Authorized	6,153.4	1,343.0	613.6	8,110.0
Proposed budget decreases:				
-Reduce regional MH coordinator's regional emergency services fund	-50.0	0.0	0.0	-50.0
-Trust Budget Changes	0.0	0.0	-255.1	-255.1
-Expiration of Anchorage Comorbidity Svcs federal funding	0.0	-672.2	0.0	-672.2
FY2005 Governor	6,103.4	670.8	358.5	7,132.7